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Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following amendment of the San Diego Association of Governments' (SANDAG) 2006/07 - 2010/11 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. <u>Description</u>

State, Local and Transit Elements

Adds, modifies or deletes projects from various funding programs in San Diego County. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Surface Transportation Program, State Highway Operation and Protection Program, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program, High Priority Projects Program, State Transportation Improvement Program, Hazard Elimination Safety Program, and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5309 Program.

See Enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration and FTA approve this FTIP Amendment No. 1 for inclusion into California's 2007 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP, in fiscal years beyond the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP, are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only. Please note that the approval of this amendment does not constitute eligibility determination for the projects from this amendment that are funded from Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program.

The updated programming has been found by SANDAG to conform to applicable air quality regulations. Therefore, this FTIP amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis.

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In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. SANDAG prepared this FTIP amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde, of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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